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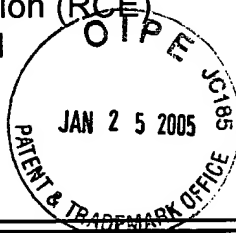
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Application Number	09/163,199
Filing Date	9/30/1998
First Named Inventor	Hitoshi FUKUSHIMA
Art Unit	1639
Examiner Name	Jon D. Epperson
Attorney Docket Number	9319T-000268

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application.
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		1812	2,520	1812	2,520	For filing a request for reexamination						
		1804	920*	1804	920*	Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action						
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		1251	120	2251	60	Extension for reply within first month						
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1. BASIC FILING FEE		1401	500	2401	250	Notice of Appeal						
Large Entity	Small Entity	1402	500	2402	250	Filing a brief in support of an appeal						
Fee Code	Fee (\$)	1403	1000	2403	500	Request for oral hearing						
1011	300	2011	150	2452	250	Petition to revive - unavoidable						
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1013	200	2013	100	2501	700	Utility issue fee (or reissue)						
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Total Claims	20 **	Extra Claims	0	Fee from below	0	1111	500	2111	250	Utility Search Fee		
Independent Claims	3 **	0	0	0	0	1112	100	2112	50	Design Search Fee		
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